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**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 23, 2006, the period for response to which extending through April 23, 2006, entry and consideration of the following response is respectfully requested to place the above-identified application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.